

Amendments to the Claims:

Claims 14 to 99 are cancelled and claims 1, 6 and 100 are amended as set forth hereinafter.

Listing of Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) An adjusting device comprising:

a base unit;

a load take-up unit;

5 a transmission coupling said units to each other so as to permit a movement of said load take-up unit relative to said base unit in two different directions; and,

said transmission including:

a coupling plate connected to said base unit;

10 ~~two force-transmitting units operatively connected to said coupling plate, and,~~

~~means for operatively connecting said load take-up unit to said~~

15 two force-transmitting units interposed between said coupling plate and said load take-up unit so as to ~~cause~~ permit at least one of said force-transmitting units to roll off on said coupling plate in response to a movement of said load take-up unit relative to said base unit.

2. (Original) The adjusting device of claim 1, wherein said force-transmitting units are configured as track units or belt units which roll off on said coupling plate.

3. (Original) The adjusting device of claim 1, wherein said force-transmitting units each include two wheel elements journaled on rotational axes.

4. (Original) The adjusting device of claim 3, wherein the rotational axes of said wheel elements are mutually orthogonal.

5. (Original) The adjusting device of claim 3, wherein said wheel elements are configured as respective gear wheels.

6. (Currently Amended) The adjusting device of claim 1, wherein said coupling plate is a first coupling plate and said adjusting device further ~~comprising~~ comprises a second coupling plate ~~operatively~~ connected to said load take-up unit and engaging said force-transmitting units so as to permit said movement between said units.

7. (Original) The adjusting device of claim 1, wherein said coupling plate is configured as a toothed plate.

8. (Original) The adjusting device of claim 1, wherein said transmission includes a drive assigned to said force-transmitting units.

9. (Original) The adjusting device of claim 8, wherein said drive is configured as an electric drive.

10. (Original) The adjusting device of claim 1, wherein said coupling plate has a cutout formed therein for passing cables therethrough.

11. (Original) The adjusting device of claim 1, wherein said coupling plate is fixedly attached to said base unit.

12. (Original) The adjusting device of claim 1, wherein said force-transmitting units are journalled in a support unit fixedly connected to said base unit.

13. (Original) The adjusting device of claim 6, wherein one of said coupling plates is fixedly connected to said load take-up unit.

Claims 14 to 99 (Cancelled).

100. (Currently Amended) A stand comprising:

a carrier arm for taking up a load;

an adjusting device connected to said carrier arm;

said adjusting device including:

5 a base unit;

a load take-up unit;

a transmission coupling said units to each other so as to permit a movement of said load take-up unit relative to said base

unit in two different directions; and,

10 said transmission including:

 a coupling plate connected to said base unit;

~~two force-transmitting units operatively connected to said~~
~~coupling plate, and,~~

~~means for operatively connecting said load take-up unit to~~

15 ~~said~~

 two force-transmitting units interposed between said
coupling plate and said load take-up unit so as to ~~cause~~ permit
at least one of said force-transmitting units to roll off on said
coupling plate in response to a movement of said load take-up
20 unit relative to said base unit.